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## **Eugene Police Hires Captain Karl Durr**

Eugene Police Department has hired Karl Durr as police captain. Among his responsibilities will be leading patrol operations for the eastern portion of Eugene and establishing Data Led Policing as a central business model for Eugene Police Department. Captain Durr comes to EPD from his former position as major with the Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office where he commanded the Homeland Security Bureau, Emergency Operations, Aviation, Emergency Field Force, Explosive Ordnance Disposal, K-9, Marine Enforcement, Strategic Intelligence, and SWAT. The bureau is comprised of 368 sworn law enforcement and civilian personnel with a \$24,500,000 budget.

"Captain Durr's law enforcement background is precisely what any police agency would want in its senior leaders," said Eugene Police Chief Pete Kerns. "Along with his law enforcement skills, he has a strong expertise in management, business and leadership. He has the character, credibility and knowledge to help our agency succeed."



In 1984, Captain Durr began his law enforcement career as a patrol officer with the City of Boca Raton. He was hired by the Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office in 1987. He was promoted to the ranks of sergeant in 1995, lieutenant in 2000, captain in 2004, and major in 2011. His prior assignments include Patrol Operations, Field Training Officer, SWAT, Organized Crime Bureau, Airport Division, Emergency Field Force, Parks Division, and K-9.

Captain Durr holds a Bachelor of Business Administration from Northwood University and Masters in Criminal Justice Administration from Lynn University. He is a graduate of Harvard University, John F. Kennedy School of Government, Senior Executives in State and Local Government. He graduated from the Southern Police Institute's Administrative Officers Course and the U.S. Department of Justice, Drug Enforcement Agency, Drug Unit Commanders Academy. He is currently an adjunct professor with Florida Atlantic University and Capella University.

Capt. Durr has a wife and two young children. ###

